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SUBJECT: CIVILAIR: TMA FLEET REEQUIPMENT; FINANCIAL RESULTS

1. RCAA DISCUSSION JUNE 28TH WITH GHAZI KRAYTEM, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, TRANS MEDITERRANEAN AIRWAYS, INDICATES THAT AIRLINE HAS ORDERED THREE ADDITIONAL BOEING 707 FREIGHTERS. THESE AIRCRAFT INCLUDE FOLLOWING: ONE 707-323C ACQUIRED FROM AMERICAN AIRLINES DELIVERED BEIRUT EARLY APRIL FOR MODIFICATION TO TMA STANDARD AND ENTERED TMA SCHEDULED SERVICE JUNE 21. ADDITIONALLY, TWO BOEING 707-321C'S ACQUIRED FROM PAN AM TO BE FORMALLY TURNED OVER TO AIRLINE IN NEW YORK JUNE 29TH AND ENTERING TMA SCHEDULED SERVICE SAME DATE. ESTIMATED VALUE THE THREE FREIGHTERS: \$18 MILLION, INCLUDING SPARES.

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2. AIRLINE'S SECOND BOEING 747-123F HAS BEEN SOLD TO PAN AM FOR A REPORTED PRICE OF \$28 MILLION (REPRESENTING SUBSTANTIAL CAPITAL GAIN FOR TMA) AND SCHEDULED FOR DELIVERY TO US CARRIER IN NEW YORK TODAY(JUNE 28). AS OF JULY 1, TMA FLEET (TEN AIRCRAFT) WILL INCLUDE FOLLOWING: TWO BOEING 707-323C; TWO BOEING 707-327C; TWO BOEING 707-321C; FOUR BOEING 707-327C (ON LEASE-PURCHASE,

WITH OPTIONS TO BE PROGRESSIVELY EXERCISED BETWEEN NOW AND 1980).

3. TMA CHAIRMAN CITES FOLLOWING FINANCIAL RECORD TMA: 1974 - 26 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS NET PROFIT 1975 - 25 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS NET PROFIT 1976 - 500,000 LEBANESE POUNDS NET PROFIT (EXTRAORDINARY WAR EXPENSES ASSESSED AT 22 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS, REPRESENTING ANNUAL NET PROFIT 22.5 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS IF CIVIL WAR HAD NOT OCCURED); FIRST 3 MONTHS 1977 4.9 MILLION LEBANESE POUNDS NET PROFIT (INCLUDING CAPITAL GAIN ON DISPOSAL FIRST 747-123F TO AMERICAN AIRLINES JANUARY 20, 1977).

4. CREW ROSTER AS OF MAY 20TH 1977; 44 CAPTAINS, 51 FIRST OFFICERS, 51 FLIGHT ENGINEERS. PRESENT TOTAL EMPLOYMENT STRENGTH 2200.GARDNER

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